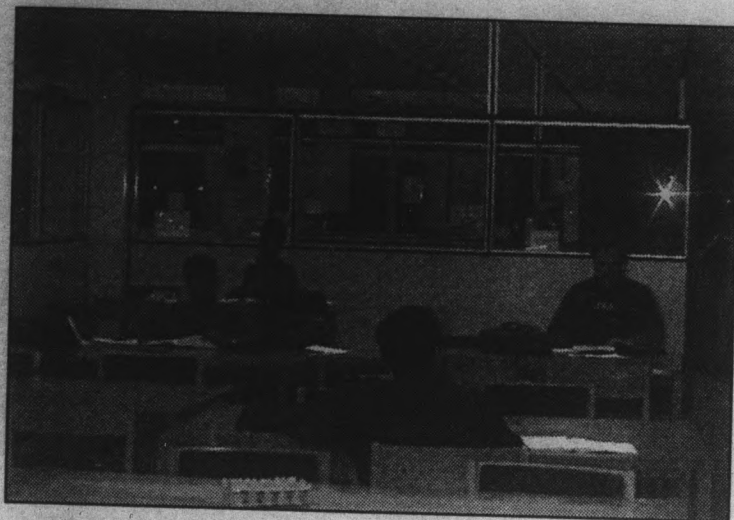


Library hours extended



Dedicated students can now utilize the library longer, especially on weekends.

Another battle has been won by students on the road to an improved UB, as the operating hours at the Wahlstrom

Library are to be extended for both finals week this semester and on a permanent basis next semester.

According to plans that

have been projected all semester, the Library will be opened until midnight during finals week. This extension of the hours is hoped to assist students who need to do extra studying during a time when many students insist on getting in their last minute partying before they leave for the break.

In addition, the Library will be extending the regular hours of operation on a fixed basis. The change is occurring after a push by the Student Congress, in particular, the academic committee. The committee, chaired by Nobuya Yoshizawa, feels that to be an academically competitive University, UB's Library should

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Large crowd came to listen to Dr. Lee

by Ana Kleshelskaya

"I just love to play with my test tubes," declared renowned forensic scientist, Dr. Henry Lee. He made a presentation on Wednesday, November 11, in the Tower Room of the Arnold Bernard Center.

The event was hosted by the Social Cerebral Society of UB (SCUBA) with the assistance of the UB Alternative Thinkers (UBAT) and the Social Sciences Club.

By 7:30 p.m., the Tower Room exceeded its sitting capacity, as over 250 students and faculty attended the lecture. Many students sat on the floor. Others willingly stood through out the presentation.

"This is by far one of the best attended academic events," said SCUBA's advisor, Professor Lamont Thomas, in his brief introduction.

During the two-hour presentation, Dr. Lee showed slides depicting his personal achievement in academia and his professional success. He has taken part in such investigations as the O.J. Simpson trial, Jon-Benet Ramsey, and the most recent review of President Kennedy's assassination.

He attributed his present day skills and knowledge to experience, that "enables us to recognize the mistakes and search for answers again and again."

His most recent post is the Chief of Connecticut State Police. Dr. Lee stated that under his recently passed order, over 253 new troopers



Scuba members met with Dr. Lee in the Tower Room

will be soon recruited. "It is my hope," he said, that the Connecticut State Police will become more "user-friendly and service-oriented."

"My life has no boring moments," said Dr. Lee as he presented slides of evidence that helped solve some of the most complicated cases. Fibers from the rug or clothing, he continued, are sometimes enough to identify the suspect.

Dr. Lee has earned international fame and acknowledgment by taking part in investigations around the world. One of these most recent projects was his work at the mass burial sites in war-torn Bosnia. Called to work at odd hours of day and night, Dr. Lee has little time to be with his family. He told The Scribe, "My only wish is to spend more time with my children...they grow up so fast!"

Originally born and raised in China, near Shanghai, Dr. Henry Lee came from a large family of 13 brothers and sisters. Due to the political unrest in China, Dr. Lee's family was forced to move to Taiwan.

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Alternatives to core classes

by Lucas Mc Cloud

For the Spring 1999 semester, most students have already finalized their registration forms and handed them in to the Registrar for approval. However, if you were one of the few who waited until the last possible moment to register, you found yourself locked out of some of the core courses. For the spring semester only, students are allowed to substitute one of several introductory courses for the required core courses.

The following substitutions are authorized: Fine Arts C101 - Music 121 or Art & Design 118; Integrated Studies C101 - Mass Communication 110; Humanities C202 - Reli-

gion 102X, Philosophy 203, English 208 or 212, History

"We want a core curriculum that students will want to take,"
--Professor van der Giessen

223 or 233; Social Sciences C202 - Economics 201 or 202, Political Science 101 or 207, Psychology 103, History 101 or 208.

According to Professor Hans van der Giessen, the sub-

stitutable courses were made known to the advisors on November 25, after it was determined that there were students who were locked out of the core courses for the spring semester.

These substitutable courses are a reversion to the University's old core curriculum. The old core curriculum, which was a smorgasbord, offered several different courses from which students could choose to fulfill their core requirement. The substitutions are being offered due to a lack of staff, budget, and flexibility for the core courses, said Professor van der Giessen.

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ABC building vandalized

by Zornitza Lilova

The Arnold Bernhard Center is not only a building that UB uses for classes. Many Bridgeport residents visit the Art Gallery, the Mertens Theater, and the Littlefield Recital Hall when UB organizes special events. Sometimes, we do not realize that this building is what we actually show to people and this is what they derive their impressions of UB from. Unfortunately, there is graffiti on the walls, flyers stuck to windows, and the floor is constantly dirty.

At first, the New Eden Academy was held to blame, as they use the eighth floor of

the building for classrooms. According to Professor Kaz McCue, "The New Eden students cause minor problems sometimes. They are much quieter this semester, though. In general, they are not my major problem. College students cause me much more troubles."

Professor McCue said that students in general do not disrespect the building on purpose, but rather do not see the building as an exemplar of the University. "They do not think about the people coming to see the exhibitions in the Gallery, or the ones that come and listen to the concerts in the

Recital Hall and about what these people will think of the university when they see everything that is in the hallway," said Professor McCue.

It turns out that the biggest problem comes from the people working for Buildings and Grounds. Professor McCue noted how they will often leave messes and not clean them up for weeks at a time. Often he has to call them to tell them to pick something up, "like the blackboard that is currently in front of the Gallery."

During the Thanksgiving weekend, the building was closed and the students who

needed to use it had to obtain an official permission pass. On Sunday, the front door was left open by mistake and several local kids managed to get inside. "They made a big mess," Professor Sean Nixon said. "They threw flower pots off the windows, they ran up and down the hallways and worst of all, they poured Coke over the keyboard of one of the pianos. On the other hand, students, who had passes as I had previously informed Security, were denied admission to the building and they couldn't work on their projects."

Wheeler Rec needs to touch up on equipmentment UB fifth in ACM contest

by Sara

Warfield

The Wheeler Recreation Center was built in 1978 and, from the looks of things, it has not changed a bit since. The same roof of twenty years ago soars overhead and the same paint of twenty years ago still clings to the walls.

As nostalgically pleasing as this may sound, it does not make for a pretty picture.

Recently, the Wheeler Rec, as it is known among users, has garnered heavy criticism for building damage and inadequate space.

"It's not in tip-top shape," commented Ruth DeNomme, a daily swimmer at the Recreation Center. "Out of ten, I'd give it a two or three."

Several eye-sores decorate the interior of the building. The paint on the walls surrounding the pool is peeling off, while the roof of the fieldhouse leaks whenever it rains.

"They just throw a pail down in the middle of the floor," Ms. DeNomme said.

Several concerns have also been expressed about the lack of facilities for aerobic and martial arts classes, which are currently held in the already crowded fieldhouse.



Interim Athletic Director, Matt Reed, plans to refurbish the weight room with new, more convenient equipment

The gymnastics team uses one of the fieldhouse's four courts while the rest are used for everything else, said Sandy Batsu, the supervisor of the facility. "It just gets too crowded in there."

The main complaints, however, have been directed at the weight room which is crammed and uncomfortable. Matt Reed, Interim Director of Athletics, and a current manager at the Wheeler Recreation Center, said he was aware of the growing concern.

His plans include removing the old Universal weight machine in the weight room and installing a smaller, more convenient machine.

Mr. Reed also said that the Recreation Center was the focal point at the last Student Advisory meeting. The Student Advisory Committee is a group of student-athletes who confront issues concerning relations between the University and the Athletic department.

Mr. Reed said they were willing to put out a strong effort to help revive the Recreation Center.

Both Mr. Reed and Ms. Batsu said that the funding was also a major factor in repairing the Wheeler Recreation Center.

"It'll be a long, arduous process," Mr. Reed said.

by Kunal Sharma

The annual Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) contest was held on November 8, at Bloomfield College. There were two teams representing UB at this year's contest - Mher Grigorian, Raul Mihali, and Tomas Vitulskis, and Igor Bolgachenko, Timur Nurullaev, Petar Gacesa.

Each team had to solve the same number of problems, and the teams were ranked by the least total time needed to correctly solve the problems. The total time was the sum of the time consumed for each problem solved. The time for each problem was the time elapsed from the beginning of the contest to the submittal of the accepted run plus 20 penalty minutes for every rejected run for that problem.

The contest lasted a total of 5 hours. Thirty-one teams from NY, NJ and CT participated in the contest. The teams were offered 7 problems (A-G), and 2 computers to work on.

The first UB team answered six problems out of seven problems cor-

rectly with three incorrect presentations. The first team's strategy was to identify two easy problems and have Mr. Grigorian and Mr. Vitulskis work on them. Mr. Mihali would work on test cases for the other problems in the meantime.

The second UB team answered two out of seven problems.

Most of the problems ranged between easy to average difficulty, with two difficult problems. UB teams to solve in the allotted time. The only team that solved 7 problems, and will advance to the world finals, was Cornell. Our first team was one of the 5 teams that solved 6 problems.

Taking into account the total time used, UB team 1 ranked #5. This was a better rank than colleges such as NYU, Vassar College, Columbia University team 2, and Pace University.

The judges actually made a mistake and gave team 1 a 20 minute penalty for a problem which they got accepted from the first run. If they decide not to count those 20 minutes, the team's final rank will be #4.

Warner Hall officially opened

by Geetha Tharmaratnam

UB's integrated medical clinic in Warner Hall was officially opened on Friday, November 20. Reverend Sun Yung Moon and his wife were the guests of honor and helped with the ribbon cutting.

President Rubenstein welcomed the over 150 guests who were packed tightly in the lobby of the Center and crowding in the doorway. He said, "This Center has mainly been able to be opened due to the generosity of the PWWA." The two million-dollar grant that was given by the Professors World Peace Academy helped to renovate the abandoned hall into a modern medical center and a residential hall for graduate students.

The ceremony reached a high point when the third try to cut the ribbon succeeded. The crowd included students, professors, and members of the

Bridgeport community. As there was not enough room for everyone within the facility's lobby, people had to watch the ceremony through the windows of the Center. Among the people outside were Dr. Suzanne Wilcox, and Dean of Students Janet Merritt. Jessica Peterson, a Dental Hygiene major, who was present, mentioned, "It is fabulous to see all the aspects of health sciences all in one place."

The facility now houses the Health Center, and will offer programs like pre-medicine, pre-naturopathic, pre-dental hygiene, medical technology, and nutrition. Inside the Center is a radiology department with an x-ray room, a dark room, and a radiologist room, as well as a hydrotherapy room and a laboratory. Chiropractic students have access to treatment rooms which are equipped with beds and treatment machines.

PAD system not installed in Seeley

by Seemanti Borkotoky

Security is one of the main concerns of everyone on-campus. Our Personal Alarm Devices (PAD) are supposed to provide us with this security everywhere on-campus. Not so in Seeley Hall. The beepers do not work in Seeley, as the dorm is not installed with the Secure System which operates our PAD's. On questioning a few students on whether security has come when they have set off their PAD, Nelta Sanon, a resident of Seeley said, "I set off my alarm in Seeley, by mistake once, and security went looking for me in the library."

The problem seems to lie not with security, but with UB administration. Mr. James Mooney, head of security, says, "I am aware of the problem but

can't do anything about it. When Bodine Hall was opened many years ago, Secure Systems came to campus to set up all the buildings with the wiring. At that time there were no plans to ever re-open Seeley and so that building was left out. Now, that Seeley has been re-opened, myself and Mr. David Oestreich have sent numerous letters to the administration to get money to install the system. So far, we haven't heard anything from them."

He sees this as unfair, as Seeley residents pay as much as Bodine and Barnum residents and are entitled to the same level of security. "I really hope that the administration plans on providing us with the money soon as both Mr. Oestreich and I feel that this is a very important issue that needs to be resolved soon."

Adding to Seeley's list of problems are the rumors of falling ceiling tiles. A resident, who prefers to remain anonymous says, "I've been pretty close to getting hit by falling tiles. The ceilings are really old and the only way to fix it is by replacing the entire roofing system of Seeley with a drop tile system similar to the one Bodine has. This, though, is a huge expense."

Ms. Sanon adds, "Although it hasn't happened to me, I have a friend who is always complaining off tiles falling off in her room." Director of Residential Life Mr. David Oestreich was unavailable for comment.

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Choudhury talks of Bangladesh's view of economic globalization

On November 24, Humayun Rasheed Choudhury, speaker of the Bangladesh Parliament, made a presentation on the current state of democracy and market conditions in Bangladesh. Following the presentation, which was held at the End Hall auditorium, Mr. Choudhury received the title of Honorary Fellow from the New England Center for International and Regional Studies.

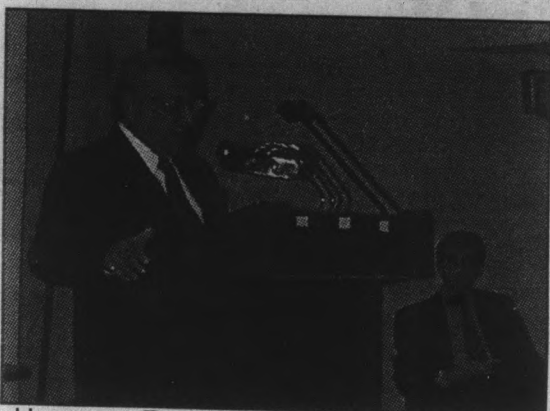
Mr. Choudhury, a graduate of the London School of Economics, served as Foreign Minister of Bangladesh, was an Ambassador to several countries, including the United

States, and held the position of the President of the United Nations General Assembly.

In the beginning of his presentation, Mr.

Choudhury briefly discussed the history of Bangladesh. He then

described the current economic situation in the country. The speaker underlined that the main issue at present is to raise



Humayun Rasheed Choudhury, speaker of Bangladesh Parliament

the living standard of Bangladesh's 128 million people. Mr. Choudhury indicated that four million out of nine million of severely impover-

ished people of Bangladesh have already seen improvements in the quality of life.

At the same time, the government has taken several steps to liberalize the economy and spark outside investors' interest. Mr. Choudhury noted that political stability in the country should also contribute to the optimistic views of the economic future in Bangladesh.

Finally, Mr. Choudhury addressed the topic of interregional integration of Bangladesh in the view of present economic globalization. Bangladesh is currently a member of South Asian Association for Regional Coopera-

tion (SAARC), which addresses the issues of economic development and cooperation among the states of South Asians region. Also, as Mr. Choudhury mentioned, in 1997 Bangladesh "initiated an interregional body known as Bangladesh, India, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Thailand Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC)." It is hoped that BIMSTEC will promote broad economic interaction of the member countries.

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Completing military service in the Taiwanese army, "I cheated on all my exams and became the youngest captain in the history of Taiwanese army," he joked.

Once married, Dr. Lee moved with his entire family to the United States. He began to work as a technician in the New York University (NYU) medical center. Trying to stay afloat, Dr. Lee simultaneously worked in a Chinese restaurant and gave kung fu lessons.

"Every time I had a raise in the position, I took a pay cut," he commented, half-laughing. Having to start from scratch, Dr. Lee soon learned the value of hard work.

Taking 26 credits a semester, Dr. Henry Lee was able to receive both his masters' and doctorate degrees from NYU in just one year.

Dr. Lee gave a start to the School of Forensic Science at the University of New Haven (UNH), combining different trends in biology and forensics. Around the same time, Dr. Lee began collaborating with the state police.

At the end of the presentation, SCUBA council members, Yvrose Romulus, Clara Medeiros and Hisayo Hara presented Dr. Lee with gifts to commemorate the event. Mrs. Lee received a bouquet of flowers, while Dr. Lee got an engraved desk clock.

"I originally wanted to become a basketball player—they didn't take me for my height," he joked, "but I was always interested in science."

It is important, Dr. Lee said, to pick a career you really like. "Treat what you do as a profession for life, not as a job," he said, concluding his story of a self-made man.

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Campus Life

Social Sciences club visits Danbury prison

by Lucas Mc Cloud

On November 13, the Social Sciences club left the confines of UB to investigate and tour the confines of the Federal Correction Institution (FCI) at Danbury. The tour was arranged by Professors Kurt Frey and Charles Justice, along with Mr. Bashelor, one of the executive administrators of the FCI at Danbury. Mr. Bashelor also led the group through the facility.

The group was led through the FCI, and were shown many of the daily activities that the inmates participate in. Inmates are enrolled in various work and educational programs located throughout the facility. Inmates are given the opportunity to obtain their GED, learn vocations such as carpentry and culinary arts, or work in the Federal Prison Industries, which for Danbury, is an electronic cable factory.

To meet the social needs of inmates, there are health and dental service centers, as well as religious services. Of particular interest to the Social Sciences club, was the availability and range of psychological services. The FCI offers a Bridge program, which is a one-year residential program for mental and emotional trauma patients. Inmates involved participate in support groups as well as instructional programs to help them release past traumas from their mind.

A comprehensive drug abuse program called Horizons is also offered. Inmates are enrolled for one year, and treatment for many different types of



The Social Science club discovered the prison experience first-hand

abuse and emotional disorders are offered. Holistic approaches are also used to help treat the inmates.

The cells where inmates resided were built for two and contained an open toilet. Inmates are allowed minimum of personal clothing and belongings. Beylul Solomon, a junior Social Sciences major, said, "The prison looked and felt more like a recreation facility. The prisoners did not seem to be under too much hardship. The trip itself was very nice though."

The FCI was opened in 1940, and is a low security facility housing approximately 1000 female inmates. Adjacent to the FCI is a minimum security prison opened in 1981 housing approximately 180 female inmates.

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be opened later than the current schedule, which

includes closing at 10:00 p.m. during the week, and even earlier on weekends.

According to Karen Smiga, University librarian, the Library has "received authorization to increase its hours by 10 a week." This change will start out as a "first floor only" plan, with a gradual phasing-in of hours and services.

The exact hours are still being debated, as administration is considering which hours will be most useful for students, and as staff is found for the extended hours. "Tentatively, staying open until 11:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday instead of 10:00 p.m. would certainly be included as part of the ten hours," according to Ms. Smiga's response to the academic committee. Other hours that are expected to be added are two and half-hours on Friday afternoon, an extension from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m., and a half-hour Monday through Friday morning, opening the Library at 8:00 a.m. instead of 8:30 a.m. According to Ms. Smiga, the half-hour in the mornings will cater to the requests of many graduate and chiropractic students.

The urge from Student Congress to extend hours is actually a continuation of the work of last year's Congress, as a petition was circulated around campus. Many students find it very inconvenient that the Library closes so early. Some even resort to continuing their studies at libraries at Fairfield University and Sacred Heart University.

From Core classes, page 1

Professor van der Giessen noted that for students who substitute

Humanities or Social Sciences, only one substitution in each will be allowed. Students must take at least one of the core courses in Humanities and Social Sciences.

Professor van der Giessen, Chairman of the Core Curriculum Commission, has said that core curriculum is currently undergoing a revision. "The core curriculum is what distinguishes a UB degree from Syracuse University degree. Both universities meet the same national accreditation standards, but the general education requirement is what separates the two," said Prof. van der Giessen.

The core curriculum is under revision to fit the curriculum to the University's new mission statement. The mission statement, in essence, states that UB should strive to be an international institution. It is the Core Curriculum Commission's goal to determine how the core courses should fit this new mission. The question for the Core Curriculum Commission is what should a UB graduate know after taking six semester hours of Social Sciences?

"We want a core curriculum that students will want to take," Professor van der Giessen told The Scribe. A possibility for the new core curriculum is a modified smorgasbord of courses. The University will not be returning to the days of a full smorgasbord, however, Professor van der Giessen said.

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Editorials

Letter to the editor

Unacceptable irresponsibility

Tuition at the University of Bridgeport costs \$6,700 per semester. Taking the average 15 credit-hour schedule, each course (three credits) costs \$1,344. A typical school week costs about \$440.

So every time you walk through the classroom door, you are essentially dishing out \$44 and handing it to the school.

That is a costly hour of your time.

Many students fail to realize the enormous investment they put into their education. In fact, many put more effort into avoiding the classes they pay so much for and the work that comes with them.

This carelessness and irresponsibility is obvious in any given class on any given day. Rarely does a class start with every student in their seat and ready to learn. Stragglers come in five or more minutes late with their fresh cup of coffee, slamming the

door loudly behind them and completely disregarding the lecturing professor and the note-taking students. Behind the stragglers on the responsibility chain are the ditchers who do not go to class at all because "it's just too early in the morning" or even "I just didn't feel like it."

At a small school like UB, of course, tardiness and absences often affect grades.

I once listened to a student vehemently argue his grade, saying that the punishment for his tardiness was excessive. His grade had dropped from a C to a D- because he arrived to class more than five minutes late on 12 occasions.

Is this punishment too harsh? Of course not.

What troubles me is that such punishments have to exist. Students should take pride in themselves and their work they do if only by being punctual. They should be enthusiastic

to only have to spend \$44 to become just a little more brilliant.

Few students, obviously, are paying this \$44 a class wholly on their own. Many are on scholarships while others have concerned parent who supply the funds while still others are on loans that they will have to repay over the course of their lives.

This irresponsibility is a slap in the face of the school or organization that recognized your strong academic or athletic potential and gave you thousands of dollars to pursue any future you choose. It is a slap in the face to your parents who have given you all they could for your entire life and who only want to see you happy and successful. Above all, you are slapping yourself in the face as you will be paying tremendously both in life's budgeting and in life's overall success.

I was taken aback by your editorial of 11/12/98, documenting the "attack" by the administration on the Rugby House. If your definition of "attack" includes three phone calls and a meeting to discuss methods of insuring that our students demonstrate responsible behavior while drinking, then I submit to your accusations!

I personally feel that our meeting with both the staff of the Rugby House and Conty's Grille was mutually rewarding. We were able to come to the mutually achieved goals which will protect their license to serve alcoholic beverages and our concern for student welfare. I respect the students' desire to be able to consume alcoholic beverages within walking distance of the campus and there was no intention to terminate the establishment.

Responsible drinking has been a major priority on all college campuses this year. With five documented deaths of Virginia College students last year, and several other universities reporting alcohol-related deaths in the past two years, I am dedicated to our policy which educates students to the dangers of alcohol abuse.

The Counseling Service Department has attempted to make visual the loss of lives and medical problems associated with substance abuse. We continue to provide ongoing services for students encountering problems with substance abuse or those who are concerned about friends and family members.

In conclusion, I do feel that my meeting with the two closest establishments to the campus that serve alcohol resulted in a win/win situation. I thank the representatives for their cooperation and concern for our student body. I would encourage your editorial staff to be more thorough in their investigation of the issues that were addressed and the agreements concluded.

Jerry Weber

Director of Counseling Services

Thanksgiving spirit not in all?

There is a lone board in the lobby of the Student Center, which has been passed up by as many students as faculty and administration members. Student Programming Coordinator Edina Oestreicher put up this collection of construction paper, pen marks, and most importantly, students' names. Yet, there is a greater purpose to this collection of student-named feathers and a big paper turkey than providing a bad rendition of Pin-the-Tail on the Donkey. These names are just some of the unfortunate candidates for the "Not Going Home for Thanksgiving" award.

This is where the faculty and administration of UB come in. There was a tiny overlooked portion of the

collage that instructed passing faculty and administration to take a feather and have a student home for the holidays. Why were students not invited to a professor's home? Is this not a day for goodwill? Should not professors have extended their merry houses to include students, who would truly have something to be thankful for if they were invited?

Why, in a university that proclaims its international diversity do we have mostly middle- to upper-class, white, male instructors not embracing the diversity they proclaim to have, and inviting international students home for Thanksgiving? They do not involve themselves with the students who are responsible for the diversity, nor do

they make it part of expanding their own ethnic knowledge to find out more about their students' backgrounds.

This is not to knock the professors who do involve themselves as club advisors, or take home a student for the holidays, as some professors did. Neither is it to knock the professors who do not. Rather it is a call for the professors who truly want an international university to come forward from the politics of calling UB "international," and take a step towards making UB international. This involves participating in the little things, such as bringing a student home for Thanksgiving.

On The Spot

Are you satisfied with the changes in the library?



"I am satisfied with the timings. The library staff are extremely courteous and more than willing to help with regard to research projects. They need more copying machines though!"

Yi Ling Chih



"It's high time they introduced an automated system. Books keep on disappearing!"

Anna Kostova



"The library looks huge from the outside, but you hardly find books relevant to the courses. Students will be glad to have extended hours during weekends though."

Basant Pangeni



"The library is good enough to study in, but the recent change in schedule enables us to fully utilize the library."

Tadakami Tomita



"If the library timings are extended, then definitely it helps alot. But then again it depends on the new timing. I wish it would be round the clock services."

Muhammad Kashif Saleem



"The timings are no good, and there is not a good book selection. But it is a good place to study, away from the hustle of the dorm!"

Venu Kode



"I'm glad to hear that library staff will work longer hours in order to help us get A's."

Minori Oshika



"I'm certainly not satisfied with the library hours now. But improvements are being planned and I'll be happy to see more hours open, especially on exam weekends."

Yuko Kitigawa



Dofus, John, Merle, Dinko, Chris, Curt,
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for always giving me a reason
to laugh!

♡ Netie

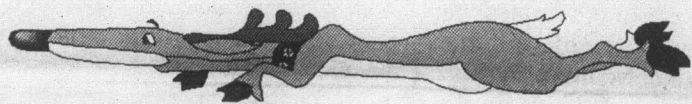
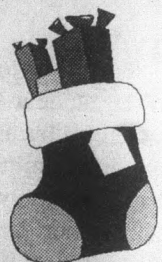


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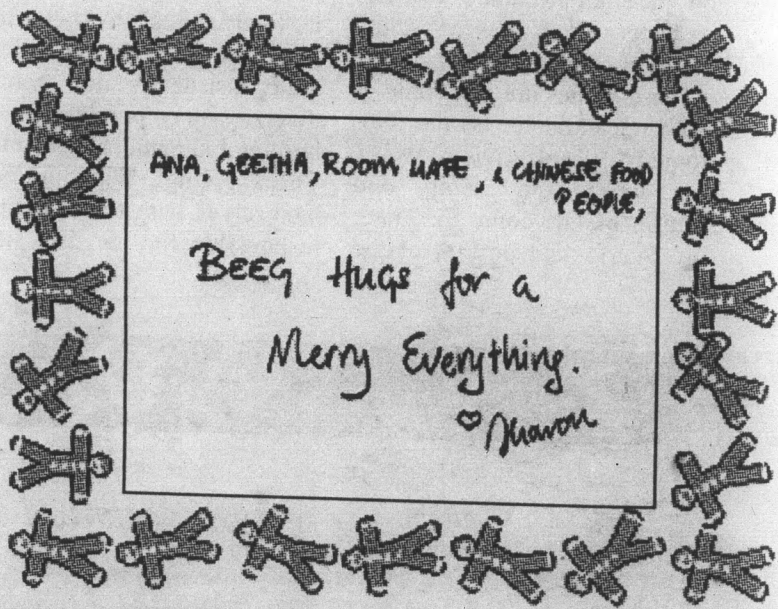
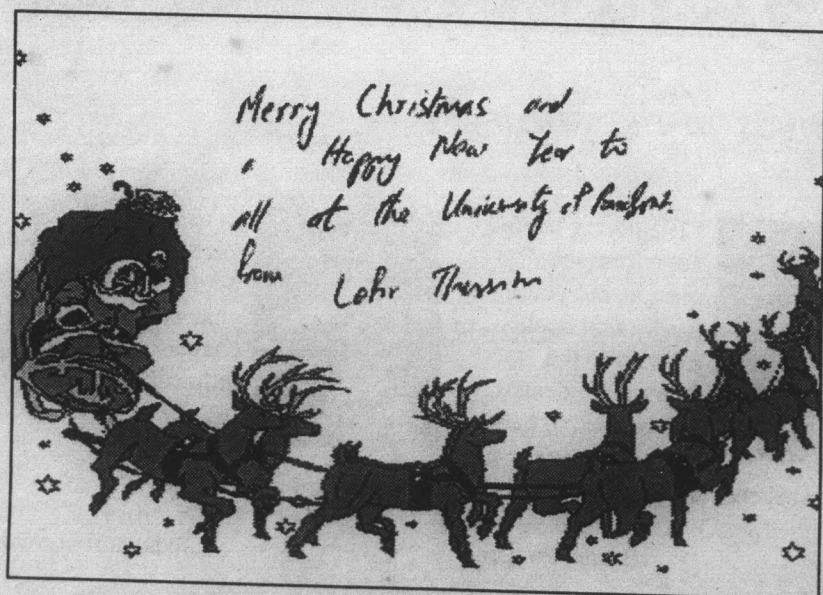
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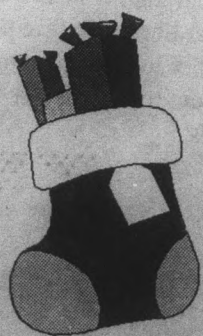
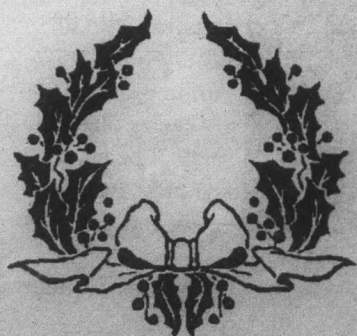
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I love you all from U3



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Geetha



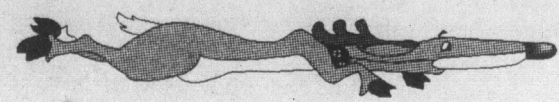
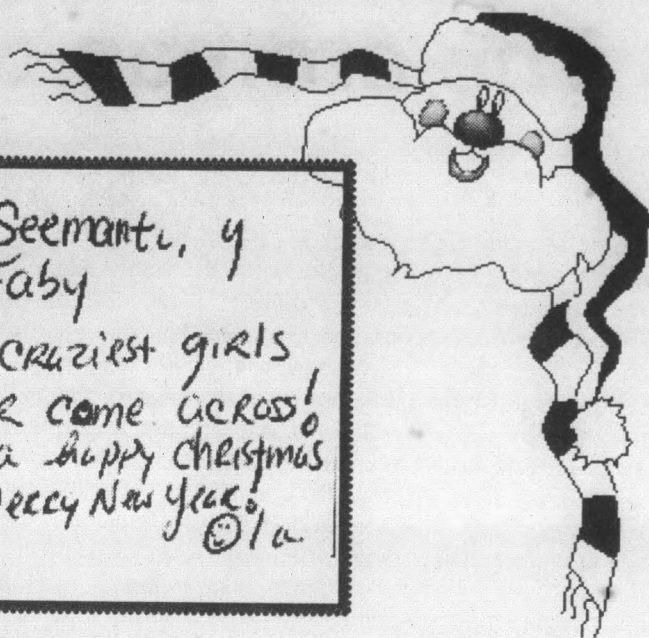
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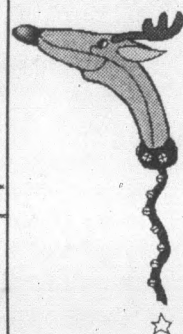
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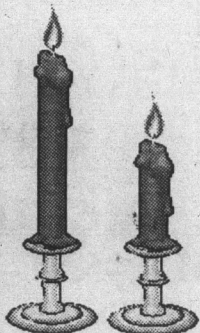
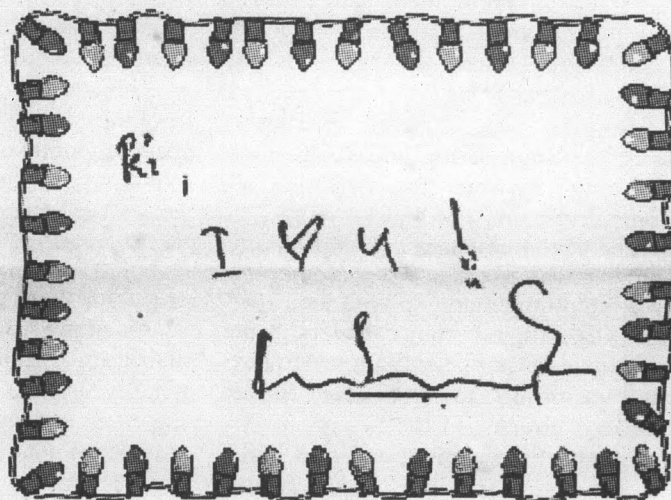
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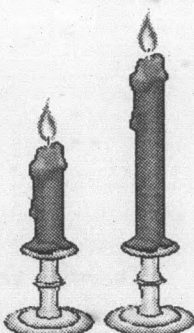
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everyone else I'll miss once we're out
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Oh, yeah, a special one for my sis and
Kabaneu. Ana-banana



Have you ever been in
the arms of an angel?
I have! Merry Christmas!
To my angel. 🌸



Happy Holidays to all my
friends and associates
at UB, may all the
love and dreams you
want come true.
Love Always
Spette Macchide



On the lighter side

The aromas of UB

by Sharon Loh

Late Monday night, a thick fog drifted in from the Long Island Sound. For some students, it was a "dreamy" atmosphere that encouraged them for an evening stroll. Unfortunately, the drifting fog also brought along a stench from the low tides. It did not take students long to take cover in buildings to get away from the foul fishy smell.

The foul odor that visited UB isn't the only interesting odor on campus. In fact, there are some specific spots on campus that emanate individual odors of their own. In front of the Marina Dining Hall for example, you can get whiffs of a foul smell on your way to Barnum Hall. It was later discovered that it was in fact, fruits from a tree outside Marina that was supplying the odor. Though the area is constantly being cleared, the fruits continue to drop during this fall season and students will have to continue to tolerate the smell or hold their breath while passing the tree. Chaelyn Lombardo, a Dental Hygiene student said that she has to walk around the tree just to avoid the "Poopy-fruits," as she calls the foul-smelling fruits.

Another popular smell on campus is at the Engineering and Technology Building, between the two double-doors, by rooms 124 and 134, and also Mechanical Engineering Lab 1. Many students who frequent the computer lab in the building came up with their own theories, ranging from cadavers in the basement to poor ventilation. However, according to Professor Steven Malary, director of the School of Science and Engineering, and also building manager, the odor could probably be caused by machine oil from the mechanical engineering lab and the dif-

ferent electrical wires in room 114, which are opposite the lab. Professor of Mechanical Engineering, Richard Schile added that it could be a problem with the central ventilation system in the building. However, until the mystery is solved, students either run across the hall to prevent too much inhaling of the odor or hold their breath until they reach the computer lab.

Also, the Scribe investigative team discovered other areas on campus that it classifies as having "interesting odors." In Bodine Hall, the elevators have emanated intoxicating odors. After having showers, or perhaps the lack of it, there are students that use excessive amounts of perfume or cologne. For many unfortunate Bodine residents that use the elevators after the highly intoxicating people, the experience can be very unpleasant.

In sections of the the Wahlstrom Library such as the Literature section and the Languages section, where books have not been open for several years, a faint smell is present. This is because of book mold. Though it is not a distinct smell, the odor can get to you after a couple of hours.

Though the University has a no smoking policy, Breul Hall has the heavy cigarette stench in its hallways.

Although there are many other areas on campus that has its own individual smell, such as the stairwell in Barnum, there has not been an explanation for them yet.

As many people know, there are places on campus that are definitely not advisable to go through the morning after a drinking binge when the stomach is not very stable. Then again, perhaps that's why it smells!

Targets for the holiday shoppers

by John E. Musser

As the holidays approach, many Americans will be, and some already are, frantically rushing about the local malls looking for the perfect gifts for the special people in their lives. While this can be an enjoyable season as everybody is spreading their tidings of joy, it can also be fairly stressful finding the right gifts.

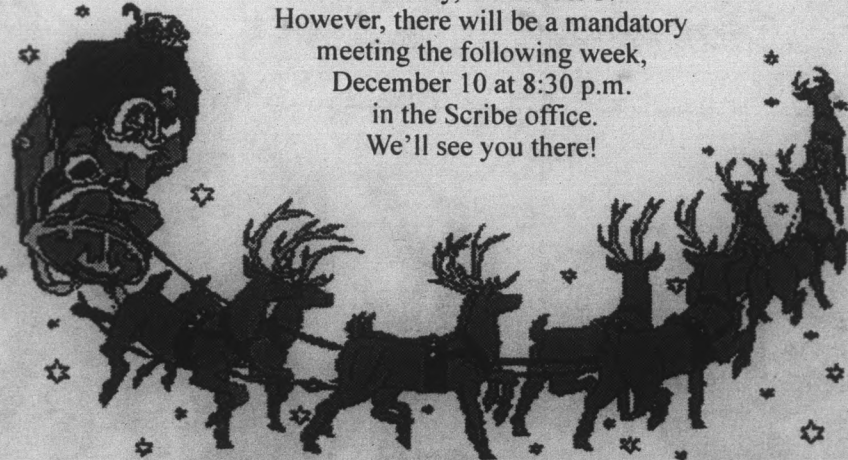
Probably the most convenient place for UB students to do their Christmas shopping is the Trumbull Mall. This shopping park is located down Main Street, the furthest stop of the city bus. Here, something can be found for everyone, from the latest technology to fashionable clothing. Stores such as FYE, Circuit City, Electronics Boutique, and Radio Shack offer competitive prices on music, video games, computer parts, and a plethora of other electronic appliances. The Trumbull Mall also houses Spencer's, a growing chain of novelty gift stores. It is here that one can purchase the aesthetically pleasing "Elvis telephone" and several sizes of a multi-function device that not only vibrates frantically, but glows in the dark.

If one is looking to give clothing away for whatever holiday he or she is celebrating, a variety of choices can be found at shops in the Trumbull Shopping Park, such as The Gap, Old Navy, and the ever-appealing Victoria's Secret. For the classic gift of flowers, several places can be found throughout Bridgeport by checking in the yellow pages, or one can choose to be ripped off by large services like 1-800-Flowers, a group that charges people to locate flower stores across the nation.

For the students who have a car on campus, more shopping choices open up. Along Route 1, many stores are located both up and down coast from UB. Going south, many upper class (snobby) stores can be found in the Westport area, while in the opposite direction, fine establishments such as Caldor's can be found in Milford. In fact, Milford is probably the second most frequently visited region by student shoppers, especially because of the Connecticut Post Mall, located off of exit 39B of I-95.

Attention Scribblers!

There will be no meeting this Thursday, December 3. However, there will be a mandatory meeting the following week, December 10 at 8:30 p.m. in the Scribe office. We'll see you there!



In our previous issue on November 12, Farzad Forough was accidentally promoted from Distribution Manager to Advisor in the Scribe. However, after much intense discussion, the Scribe members unanimously voted to demote Mr. Forough and re-elect Professor Sharyn Skeeter as advisor once again. Due to unforeseen technical difficulties, the front page of the previous issue of the Scribe was missing all initial caps. Also, because of software difficulties, numerous articles in the issue remained grammatically incorrect and layout inconsistent, though it had been corrected many times before. We do apologize for the unintended complication.

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A big turn out for Himalayan Night

by Seemanti Borkotoky

The third annual Himalayan Night was held this year on the November 14. The event had an attendance of around 300 people, including faculty, staff and alumni. The Himalayan Night is sponsored by the Himalayan Club of UB and is the only event where "the East meets West."

The event consisted of dances, songs, a slide show, and a fashion show that reflected the cultures of the Himalayan region and their neighboring countries. The program started with the "Bharatnatyam," which is the national dance of India. Several dances and songs from Nepal and India followed. The highlight of the night was the Fashion Show, which consisted of thirteen sequences in which UB students modeled traditional outfits from Nepal, India, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Burma, Vietnam, Thailand and Malaysia. An authentic dinner was served and after the stage programs, and there was a dance party



Traditional outfits were modeled during the fashion show

that went until 1 a.m.

The most unique feature of the Himalayan Night is the fact that the participants are from all over the world. Bamba Fall said, "It's great to see people of different cultures come together in such a way. I had a great time dancing and modeling." Sworupa Khadka, president of the Himalayan Club said, "I am very happy that the night was such a success. It was nice to know that people from Boston and New York came to attend the function."

A diverse group of UB students participated in the evening events



UB Gallery's first international art exhibition

by Geetha Tharmaratnam

The NanJing Children's Art Association went on exhibition in The University Gallery on Wednesday, November 25 and has the distinction of being the Gallery's first truly international exhibition. Accompanying the Chinese children's artwork is the mainly traditional work of three adults, also from the People's Republic of China.

Zhao Lin Chen, one of the adult artists on show, is the Vice-President of the Association, and he accompanied the exhibition along with a professor who is also a master calligrapher. The organization was created in 1982 to bring together various artists and the children in the city. Guest artists and consultants join the organization and for a period of time teach their trade to children.

Mr. Chen, a 1998 UB graduate's brother, heard about the Gallery in Spring '98 and sent slides of the children's work to the board who decides on the exhibitions in the Gallery. At the beginning of the summer, an invitation to exhibit in The University Gallery was issued.

The prestigious collection is one of several versions that have toured the world in the last 17 years. The countries visited include Japan, Italy, India, South Africa, and New Zealand. The Association owns over 4,000 works of art, and over four hundred of them have received awards internationally. Two paintings are on permanent exhibition in the Olympic Stadium in Switzerland.

The artists range from 4 year olds to 16 year olds, and they try different types of artwork. Traditional art is stressed, but Western art also shows its face in the diverse exhibition. Chinese traditional water ink and color ink, oil paints, and cloth are the mediums that are used. Themes reflect the artists' minds as shown in scenes of happy homelife, people busy with day-to-day activities, and festivals. The dragon, symbolizing strength and goodness, adds an interesting



All artworks, including this Chinese watercolor exhibited were created on handmade paper

difference compared to the common Western children's symbol of purity and goodness, the unicorn. Kaz Mc Cue, the Gallery manager, commented, "What we have here is an amazing contrast to the shows we have had because of the high level of craftsmanship and amount of tradition shown."

The adult exhibition shows extremely traditional Chinese art. The three artists, Zhao Lin-Chen, Zhao Xiang Chan, and Zhi Ping He work with watercolor for landscapes and Chinese color ink. The paper is all special handmade paper which, said Mr. Chen, "can last up to a thousand years." The work is framed with silk glued with rice paste onto backing made of the special paper. Zhi Ping He's works are based on many famous Chinese poems and stories, and usually depict a solitary woman painstakingly created. The refinement and care taken with producing the artwork is well shown.

The artists reception will be on Wednesday, December 9 from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. and will be on display until Saturday, December 19.

Upcoming Events

Friday, December 4, Dinner Time
"Caribbean Dinner Night"
Marina Dining Hall
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Friday, December 4, 9-1a.m.
"Winter Prelude"
Student Center Social Room
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BYOB

Monday, December 7, 7:30p.m.
Talk by Mr. Ali Hachani of Tunisia on
Universal Declaration of Human rights
Arnold Bernhard Center, Tower Room

Tuesday, December 8, 12 noon
"Holiday Celebration"
Student Center Lobby
Hot cocoa and cookies

Tuesday, December 15, 9pm
"Midnight Breakfast"
Marina Dining Hall
Free for all students
Sponsored by Student Development

Wednesday, December 16, 8:30p.m.
"Coffee Break"
All dorm lounges
Sponsored by Alumni Association

Until Monday, December 14
Salvation Army's "Pick an Angel" project -
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SPORTS

Saturday, December 5
Harvey Hubbell Gym
UB Basketball vs. Franklin Pierce
2p.m. (W), 4p.m. (M)

Monday, December 7
Harvey Hubbell Gym
UB Basketball vs. Kutztown
5:30p.m. (W), 7:30p.m. (M)

Saturday, December 12
Harvey Hubbell Gym
UB Basketball vs. UMass Lowell
2p.m. (W), 4p.m. (M)

EVENTS AROUND BRIDGEPORT

Thursday, December 3, 7:30p.m.
African Coffee House
Sacred Heart University
5151 Park Ave., Fairfield
Tickets \$8

Friday, December 4, 8p.m.
Concert by 'Hole'
O'Neill Center, WCSU Westside Campus, Danbury
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Friday, December 3 through December 9
'Twelfth Night'
Yale Repertory Theatre
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Miscellaneous

Report from the President of Student Congress

I know I am talking on behalf of the entire Student Congress, that this Congress respects the support we have received from the student body and the administration so far. Now that this semester is coming to an end, I remember how this team started full of energy and enthusiasm, and how that energy still remains and is growing. I am proud to report to the entire school some of the accomplishments for the fall semester of this year.

Student Congress 1998-99 started its office with three main goals – recognize and address the problems through proper channels, revive the social life at UB, and ensure active participation of the student body in the decision-making processes. Our University has its own share of problems. The Congress realized these problems and addressed them accordingly. As asked by the Board of Trustees, a proposal prepared after numerous meetings regarding the improvement of Marina Dining Hall will be submitted to the administration after six days. I am confident that the University will make certain changes regarding this issue, as asked by the student body, by the beginning of next semester. Secondly, Congress felt the need for faculty development training in our school. We have submitted a proposal to the Provost as such. Student Congress is working with Edina Oestreicher to revive the Bowling Alley. We are hopeful that it will start functioning by next semester. The library hours have been extended by ten hours a week. The distribution of hours is being worked out. The Wheeler Recreation Center facilities will be provided for free from now on. The Wistarian, our yearbook, will be published.

The revival of social life in UB can be seen through the multitude of events this semester. Unique in nature, each event has provided a distinct experience for all involved. Starting with Homecoming, Halloween, Diwali Night, Himalyan Nite, UB World Cup, and the heated Millennium, this semester was an exciting one. I would like to publicly recognize the work of the clubs in organizing these social happenings. Secondly, the new amendments passed by Congress have been effective in utilizing the money in a more proper and profitable way.

We have seen our third goal achieved through student involvement on the Enrollment Management Committee, Strategic Planning Committee and Review Committee, Judicial Council, University Senate, and Alumni Committee. Their devotion in these committees should be well appreciated and recognized. This way, the students' voice is being heard in all possible platforms.

Last, but not least, I assure to my constituents that I am geared towards making this Congress a memorable one. We have numerous events coming up next semester. We are trying to serve you all to our best. I take this opportunity to thank the entire student body and especially the Student Development Board for their continuing support.

Once again, thank you all.

Good luck on Final Exams.

Ashok Regmi

President of Student Congress 1998-1999.

A paid advertisement from the Student Congress

500 turnout at the "Wild-Video Dance Party."

by John E. Musser

On November 22, students of UB enjoyed the biggest and most expensive party of the semester. The party, called Millennium, was organized by the Latin American Club in accordance with the Residence Hall Association and Sigma Tau Delta. About 500 people attended the event, a number consisting mainly of UB students, although some faculty and people from outside the University also attended. The event lasted until 1:00 a.m., despite efforts of students to extend hours to 2 a.m.

Charging \$5 per student for pre-sale tickets and \$7 at the door, Millennium brought in the largest revenue of any student event this semester. The money taken in for the event did not quite cover the cost of the event, however, as Student Congress allocated over \$3000 for the party. The largest part of this sum was spent on the high-cost video jockey.

The VJ for the party played rave-type dance music during the party, which was enhanced by a video screen, supplied with the \$3000 bargain. Also supplied with the party package were high-powered speakers, capable of

5000 watts per channel.

The party was a BYOB event, one of the few so far this semester. This probably contributed greatly to the fun that students were having, as many seemed to have a little trouble walking back to their rooms after filling their bodies with nearly toxic levels of alcohol. According to one underage drinker, "it was a really good party from what I could tell, but I was too drunk to get an accurate evaluation."

Even though Millennium was the most popular event of the semester, some people felt that there were a few problems. The turnout was actually disappointing to some people, as many expected a greater attendance from off-campus. The party was held in the main gym area of the Wheeler Recreation Center, which would have had room for several hundred more people. According to senior Marla Colburn, the party was generally enjoyable, but "the space was too big." Many students felt that the large empty spaces in the gym detracted from the atmosphere, even though such a large number of people attended.

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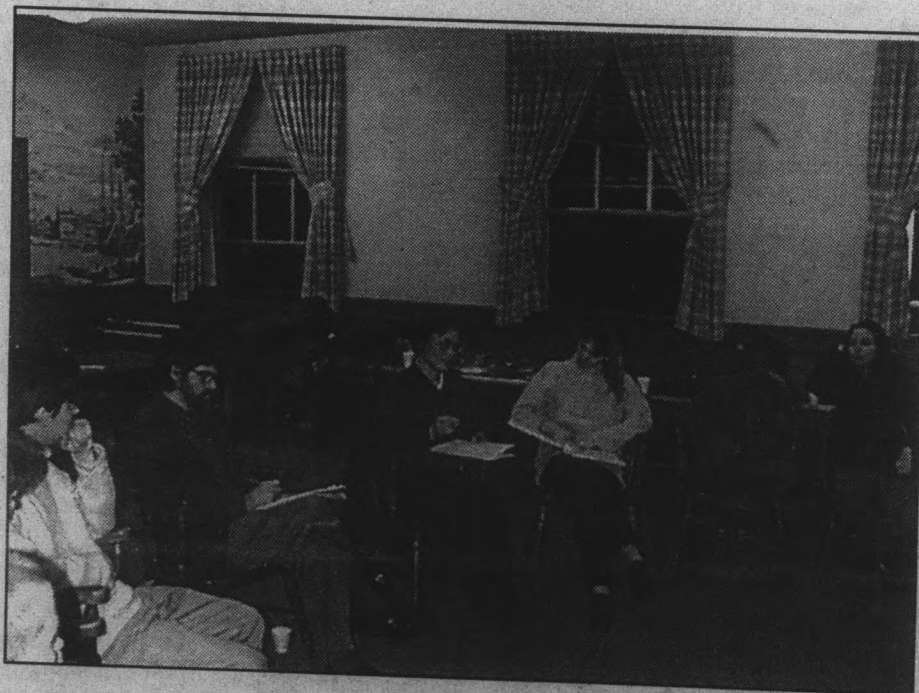
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Asian women are usually stereotyped to be submissive, says Dr. Yu



About 25 people were present for the talk by Dr. Yanmin Yu on her study of interracial marriages. The group discussed the effects that power distances have on an interracial couple, and the possible situations that may arise through culture differences. Professors Charles Justice and Kurt Frey were present and helped to get the students to talk about some situations that they were familiar with.

Turkey Trot, an introduction to community involvement

by Anamika Kak

The 19th Annual Turkey Trot, a 2.7 mile run-and-run walk, was held on November 19 on UB campus. The Trot started out at 12:00 p.m. at the Harvey Hubbell Gym.

I was still gathering my scattered self when all of a sudden the number card was pinned to my sweatshirt and I was shown the track. Assistant Director of Athletics Matthew Reed's gunshot got the Trot rolling, and we were off! Before long, I huffed and puffed to keep pace.

Turkeys were given out to the winners in the following three categories: top male runner, top female runner, and top walk. Ruth Denomme trotted back home with a turkey as the top walker for the second consecutive year. "You don't do this to win, you do this for yourself. The body and mind both need to expand, otherwise there is tension," Ms. Denomme said.

Pat Varnella was the top female runner and Dale Carnegie won the male runners' race. Mr. Carnegie said that it was important to participate, since the



Although not many participants are athletic by nature, the walk or run was their contribution to the homeless people

food that was contributed by the participants was donated to the homeless people.

Participants of the Trot were not only limited to UB students and staff. Brendon Carsson, the activities coordinator at ELI, accompanied a group of six students from Japan, Peru, Mongolia, and Thailand. According to Mr. Carsson, this charity event gave students an introduction to involvement in community effort.

The 19th Annual Turkey Trot was sponsored by the Wheeler Recreation Center and the University of Bridgeport Food Services.

Athletic Director, Bob Baird leaves UB

by Dale Carnegie

After years of outstanding service to the University of Bridgeport Athletic Department, we finally say good bye to Bob Baird. He was the savior of athletics here at UB, and he kept UB on the map when many people already counted them out. Mr. Baird took an opportunity elsewhere to lift his career to another level.

During his stay here, he improved many aspects of the athletic department. It was in 1995 when the University was exploring the idea of eliminating athletics here at UB, that Mr. Baird stepped in and refused to let that happen. He made changes that will be visible here at UB for many years to come.

One of his many contributions is the Student Athletic Council. The Athletic Council just started, and in the years to come, the members of the council will make significant changes for the team they represent.

Mr. Baird not only worked here at the University of Bridgeport, but he also is an alumni of the University. What would make a man so dedicated to the University leave? The fact of the matter is that Mr. Baird took an opportunity to improve his career, and the lives of his family.

Mr. Baird was offered a position at Stratford High School, as the director

of Athletics. Mr. Baird played basketball at Stratford, graduated from there, and worked there for a period of time. For him, it was an opportunity of a lifetime, a chance that he could not pass up.

Mr. Baird's departure left many in tears, but it also put a smile on the faces of others. Mr. Baird was at the top of his department, and as such he could not make everyone happy. He was not interested in making people happy, he was interested in getting the job done, and that is exactly what he did. Some members of the Athletic department commented that they would have begged Mr. Baird to stay if it would have made a difference.

Unfortunately, others commented that Mr. Baird held down the Athletic department. They stated that he did not know how to handle his budget, and his authority resembled a dictatorship. Many of the athletes condemned Mr. Baird for being too strict. Mr. Baird received no love from a lot of the athletes, but one thing that should be known is that he saved the University in many ways.

Mr. Baird's position is still up for grabs, but by the looks of it, filling his position is not going to be easy. Mr. Baird's sense of responsibility seemed superhuman. Matt Reed is taking his former position for the meantime.

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Sports

Lady Knights on a winning streak

by Dale Carnegie

The UB women's basketball team is undefeated this season, and they show no signs of slowing down. The team has not been winning by a small margin, they have been absolutely blowing away the competition.

UB is 5-0 thus far, recording wins over CW Post, New York Tech, and Southern Connecticut University. It has been a phenomenal season so far, and the UB women's basketball team deserve a lot of credit for keeping basketball alive here at UB. As a result of the women's performance, The Connecticut Post and many other local newspapers have marked UB as the team to beat.



Teams all over the league has heard about the juggernaut at Bridgeport. UB is defensively sound and offensively powerful. UB does not have a very big team, but all of its players are very talented.

The women's team could run into to problem down the stretch when they play a big team with a lot of depth in the bench.

UB show no apparent signs of weakness, as they dominate in all aspects of the game. They run when they want to, and post their players at will. UB had a decent team last year, but with some strong recruiting over the summer, UB was able to add some key components to the team arsenal.

UB is able to get points from each player on the floor, and the players are quick on their feet and very versatile. With aggressive players like Krista Miller and Holly Householder, UB always has someone going to the hoop.

Angelia Kadenas, and Bridgett Smith have been all over the boards this season. A big reason why UB has been so successful is the fact they dominate on the boards.

UB women's basketball team still has a lot of ball to play, but if these girls stay healthy there is no limit to what they can accomplish this season.

Scoreboard

Women's Basketball

St. Joseph's	win, 99-65
Teikyo Post	win, 98-56
C.W. Post	win, 88-47
New York Tech	win, 70-53
Adelphi University	win, 72-69

Men's Basketball

Teikyo Post	lost, 61-82
St. Joseph's	win, 89-52
St. Michael's	lost, 69-74
Bryant College	lost, 46-74
Adelphi University	lost, 47-80

Lady Knights given opportunity to represent the country

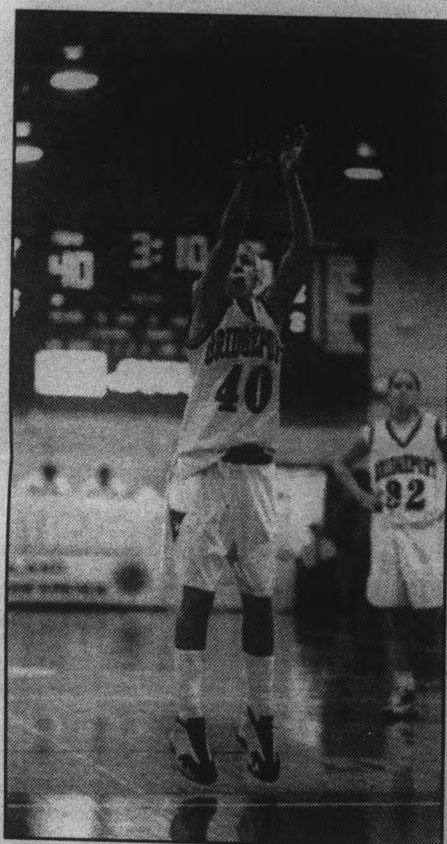
by Dale Carnegie

If you have been on-campus then you know that the UB women's volleyball team has had a phenomenal season. Led by Hitomi Hayashi, Valarie Steen, and Julie Jarvis, UB was able to establish itself this year.

This outstanding performance was recognized all around the league, and now the US Athletes International Inc. has honored UB. Ms. Hayashi and Ms. Jarvis have been given the opportunity to represent the USA in volleyball in the 1999 Belgium volleyball tour.

The invitation to participate is an unbelievable opportunity for UB. The program will allow these girls to travel to Belgium to play against some of the best players in the world. The team will consist of 12 athletes and 1 coach. The tour is hosted by the international athletic foundation of Belgium.

These players do need donations and sponsors if this dream is going to become a reality. If you would like to donate or become a sponsor, call Debra Larson at X4736.



Athletic Profile



Player's Name: Hitomi Hayashi

Sport: Volleyball

Age: 25

Major: Interior Design

Hometown: Sukushima, Japan

Hobbies: Listening to music, collecting magazines, boating, and working out.

Description: Ms. Hayashi led the UB volleyball team in almost all offensive and defensive categories. Ms. Hayashi was MVP for volleyball last season, and by the looks of it, she is contending for MVP again. Ms. Hayashi is honored around the league, and the USA athletic department has taken recognition of Ms. Hayashi's outstanding performance. The USA Athletes International has offered Ms. Hayashi the opportunity to play against some of the best players around the world.

Future Dreams: Interior Design

A Frustrating start for the men's team

by Dale Carnegie

The men's basketball team is five games into the regular season, and already it is like deja vu. The UB men are 1-4 thus far, and signs of frustration are beginning to set in. We do not want to believe that it could happen for two years in a row, but if the men's basketball team does not make a quick turn-around, the results will be tragic.

After the travesty of last year's season, the men's basketball team has been bad-mouthed by local newspapers. This season, Coach Bruce Webster and his squad are looking to redeem themselves from last year's performance and make a name for themselves around the league.

Unfortunately, their aspirations have not come to pass. The men's basketball team has been manhandled by the competition. A Teikyo Post player commented that playing UB was just practice for his team.

UB's men basketball team's only



win of the year came on the guns of Billy Blackburn. UB defeated St. Joseph's College 89-52. Mr. Blackburn was unstoppable from the field, as he lit up St. Joseph's from all corners of the court. Mr. Blackburn scored a

remarkable 23 points in eight minutes of the second half. Some of the spectators remarked that they never saw anyone shoot like that before. It was a spectacular performance, unfortunately, that same offensive charge has been nonexistent in the other games.

The UB guns are running out of ammunition too early in the season. UB definitely has the firepower, they just need to start loading it up. According to some of the athletes, a lot of the money players just have not been cashing in this season.

Despite the poor start, UB has a very good team. They have some very strong players down-low, and some absolutely deadly shooters from outside. UB just needs to put it all together and play consistent basketball. The season is far from over and there is no doubt that UB will make a complete turn-around.